Statement

Steps taken by the Government to achieve the target as envisaged by the National Highways Authority of India

(a) The Contracts are regularly monitored at various levels such as by Supervision Consultants/Independent Engineers, Project Directors, National Highways Authority of India officials at Headquarters.

(b) State Governments have appointed Senior officers as nodal officers for resolving problems associated with implementation of the National Highways Development Project such as land acquisition, removal of utilities, forest/pollution/environment clearances etc.

(c) A Committee of Secretaries has been constituted to address inter-ministerial and Central-States issues such as land acquisition, utility shifting, environment approvals, clearance of Road over Bridges etc.

(d) To expedite the construction of Road Over Bridges, an officers of the Railways has been posted to National Highways Authority of India to coordinate with the Railways. Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with M/s IRCON International Limited.

Restoration of BOT contracts

1221. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) are now resorting to Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) contracts and that too on negative grants;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such contracts awarded so far stating the name of companies/persons to whom BOT contracts have so far been given on negative grant and the National Highways for which such contract has been given and the amount given to NHAI by each contractor;

(d) the terms and conditions on which said contracts have been given; and

(e) the criteria for fixing the amount to be given by contractors to NHAI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) While some works have been awarded on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis in National Highways Development Project Phase I and II, works under National Highways Development Project Phase III A are to be awarded only on BOT basis. The basis of award is Grant/Negative Grant quoted by the bidders in open bidding system. The bidder quoting the minimum Grant or maximum Negative Grant is awarded the Contract.

(c) Details of BOT contracts awarded on Negative Grants are given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Sl No.	Name of Bidder	Stretch	Amount of Negative Grant at Net Present Value (NPV) @ 10%	Amount so far given to NHAI by contractor
1.	IRCON-SOMA (JV)	Pimpalgaon-Dhule on NH-3	(-) 58.85	—
2.	IVRCL Infrastructure & Project Limited	Guna Bypass on NH-3	(-) 19.03	2 crore
3.	IVRCL Infrastructure & Project Limited	Jalandhar-Amritsar on NH-1	(-) 6.88	—
4.	GMR Energy Ltd. GMR Infrastructure Limited Consortium	Ambala-Chandigarh on NH-22 and 21	(-) 105.85	—
5.	Jaypee DSC Ventures Limited	Delhi-Gurgaon	(-) 61.06	61.06
6.	West Gujarat Expressway Ltd.	Jetpur-Gondal including Rajkot Bypass	(-) 59.17	—
7.	Larsen & Tourbo Ltd.	Panipat Elevated Highway	(-) 96.4	—
8.	Oriental Structure Delhi Brass Consortium	Agra-Bharatpur on NH-11	(-) 2.87	—
9.	Oriental Structure Delhi Brass Consortium	Indore-Khalghat on NH-3	(-) 5.80	—

(d) The major terms and conditions are:

(i) The concession period and Toll Rates are fixed before bidding

(ii) Bidders quoting the minimum grant or maximum negative grant is awarded the concession

(iii) The grant is limited to maximum 40% of the Project Cost.

(e) The Negative Grant is payable to National Highways Authority of India as per the quotation in the Bid of the successful bidder.

Target fixed for road construction

1222. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for the year 2004-05 for the construction work-either in the form of widening, strengthening or improving of highways and construction and rehabilitation of bridges and bypasses;

(b) the extent to which this target was achieved;

(c) in case the achievement has fallen short of target, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) The targets fixed for the year 2004-05 for the construction works and the extent to which these targets have been achieved are given in Statement-I *(See below)*

(c) The reasons for shortfalls are given in Statement-II *(See below)*.

(d) The Government is concerned with the shortfalls and following steps are being taken to make up the shortfalls during the coming year:

(i) Regular monitoring of financial and physical performance of works at the highest levels.

(ii) Timely award of contracts.

(iii) Discouraging the practice of granting time extensions to contractors.

(iv) Award of bonus to contractors for completing works before the target date of completion.